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PACKAGE FOR BADKAL LAKE IN HARYANA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government proposes to provide economic package to the Government of Haryana for development of Badkal lake;

(b) if so, the time by which the same is likely to be done; and

(c) the number of foreign and domestic tourists visited Badkal lake during the last year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SMT.RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a) and (b): Development and promotion of tourism is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments/U.T. Administrations. Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, extends financial assistance to the State Governments/UTs for tourism related projects which are identified in consultation with the State concerned every year for providing financial assistance under the schemes Integrated Development of Tourist Circuits, Product/Infrastructure and Destination Development and Large Revenue Generating Projects.

Project proposals that are complete in all respect are approved on the basis of their inter-se priority competing demands from other States and availability of funds under the respective Head. A project for Landscaping/Beautification of Badkal Lake has been sanctioned for Central financial assistance of Rs.146.05 lakh during 2004-05.

(c): 72,607 foreign tourists and 60,329 domestic tourists visited Badkal Lake Tourist Complex during the last year.